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In re Application of  
DeLange, et al.  
Application No. 09/894,457  
Filed: June 28, 2001  
Attorney Docket No. GP-39-2  
For: THREADED CONNECTION FOR  
INTERNALLY CLAD PIPE

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a), filed August 19, 2002 (certificate of mailing date of August 12, 2002). This is also a decision on the petition to revive under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed September 3, 2002.

A non-final Office action was mailed February 13, 2002 in the above-referenced application. The non-final Office action set a three (3) month shortened statutory period of time for reply. The period of time for reply was extendible by three (3) months under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). Hence, a reply could have been timely filed without an extension of time from February 14, 2002 until May 13, 2002, or, with an extension of time from May 14, 2002 to August 13, 2002.

A reply to the non-final Office action and a petition for extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) were received in the Office on August 19, 2002. The reply and the petition for extension of time bore a certificate of mailing date of August 12, 2002 in accordance with 37 CFR 1.8.

Accordingly, the reply is deemed timely submitted as the petition for extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is hereby **GRANTED**.

At the time of submission of the petition to revive under 37 CFR 1.137(b), the application was not in fact abandoned. Accordingly, the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) is **DISMISSED AS MOOT**.

The Notice of Abandonment is hereby **VACATED** and the holding of abandonment is **WITHDRAWN**.

The previously submitted petition to revive filing fee of \$1,280.00 has been refunded to Deposit Account No. 02-4345. The required petition for extension of time filing fee of \$920.00 has been charged to Deposit Account No. 02-4345.

This application will be forwarded to Technology Center 3600 for further processing of the Amendment submitted August 19, 2002 (certificate of mailing date of August 12, 2002).

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to the undersigned at 703-305-0310.

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